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Page 1 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF OREGON PENDLETON DIVISION OREGON FIREARMS FEDERATION, INC., et al.,) Civil No. Plaintiffs,) 2:22-cv-01815-IM (Lead Case) V. TINA KOTEK, et al.,) Civil No. 3:22-cv-01859-IM Defendants. (Trailing Case)) Civil No.) 3:22-cv-01862-IM (Continued) (Trailing Case)) Civil No. 3:22-cv-01869-IM (Trailing Case) * VIDEOCONFERENCE * VIDEOTAPED DEPOSITION UPON ORAL EXAMINATION OF CODY M. BOWEN Witness located in: La Grande, Oregon * All participants appeared via videoconference * April 25, 2023 DATE TAKEN: REPORTED BY: Tia B. Reidt, Washington RPR, CCR #2798 Oregon #22-0001

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| 4 | Plaintiffs,) | |
| 5 | V.)) | |
| 6 | ELLEN F. ROSENBLUM, et al.,) | |
| 7 | Defendants.)) | |
| 8 | KATERINA B. EYRE, et al., | |
| 9 | Plaintiffs,) | |
| 10 | v.) | |
| 11 | ELLEN F. ROSENBLUM, et al.,) | |
| 12 | Defendants,) | |
| 13 | and) | |
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| 15 16 | Intervenor-) Defendant.) | |
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I would like to see -- you know, if my office can contribute to safe and responsible gun ownership, yeah, I'm all for that. It's hard for me to be honest with you. I don't -- I don't see responsible gun ownership as the issue. I think there's bigger issues at hand that I -- you know, Measure 114 to me doesn't -- we're not addressing the issue, you know? I don't know.

To me, the guns aren't the problem. We have a -- I'm going to stop because I'm going to ramble. But it's hard for me to support this because I don't think it's going to save lives. So -- but I will review everything that I possibly have to. I will do everything that I possibly can to facilitate whatever it takes for a responsible gun owner to purchase a firearm.

Q. So Measure 114, if it -- if it eventually goes into effect, do you intend to certify live-fire instructors?

A. If it goes into effect and it's the responsibility of my office and that's a service that I have to provide to citizens to lawfully purchase a firearm, yes, I will do everything I possibly can to facilitate those steps needed to purchase a firearm.

What scares me is staffing, funding. I don't

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Page 116 CERTIFICATE 1 2 STATE OF WASHINGTON 3 COUNTY OF PIERCE 4 5 I, Tia Reidt, a Certified Court Reporter in and 6 for the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the 7 foregoing transcript of the deposition of CODY M. BOWEN, 8 having been duly sworn, on April 25, 2023, is true and 9 accurate to the best of my knowledge, skill and ability. 10 Reading and signing was requested pursuant to 11 FRCP Rule 30(e). 12 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand 13 and seal this 1st day of May, 2023. 14 15 16 17 /S/ Tia B. Reidt 18 Tia B. Reidt, RPR, CCR #22-0001 NOTARY PUBLIC, State of 19 Washington. My commission expires 20 5/15/2026. 21 22 23 24 25

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